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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Norman M. Wright

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 28 September 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 21-41 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 21-41 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 23 and 31 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.


NORMAN M. WRIGHT
PRIMARY EXAMINER

Attachment(s)

- ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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- ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. The examiner acknowledges the receipt of applicant's request for reconsideration dated 9/28/05.

Claim Objections

2. Claims 25, 27-28, and 31-40 are objected to because of the following informalities: "the communication terminal" is inconsistent with mobile communication terminal. Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(a) the invention was known or used by others in this country, or patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country, before the invention thereof by the applicant for a patent.

4. Claims 21-41 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being clearly anticipated by Sehr, U.S. Pat Pub No. 2001/0018660, hereinafter '660.
5. As per claim 21-22, 26, 29 and 41, '006 teach a method and system for ordering, loading, and using admission tickets, for access to access controlled service devices (abs. et seq.), having a contactless reading device/interface (pg. 3 at 0035 et seq. and pg. 7 at 0059), account ticket information (fig. 4), a reservation center (fig. 1, [2,3]), and transmission means (figs. 1-4, pg. 1 at 0004 and 0006 et seq.), comprising at least one

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admission ticket (figs. 4), a reservation center (fig. 1, [2,3]), an order channel (pg. 1 at 0004 et seq. and pg. 2 at 0025, pg. 3, at 0032 et seq.), a call number of the mobile terminal/ visitor card data (pg. 12 at 0084), and transmitting (means pg. 1 at 0004), for transmitting to the call numbered device/ visitor card data (col. 12 at 0084), ticket number and digital signatures (pg. 10 at 0077 and 0078), particular user verification (pg. 4, at 0037 et seq.), ordering data is indicated by the user, and access confirmation (pg. 4 at 0042 et seq. and col. 6 at 0052 et seq.). See also (abs. background, summary, figs. 1-4, pg. at 0024 et seq., pg. 2 at 0027-0029, pg. 4 at 0044 et seq., pg. 5 at 0050, pg. 7 at 0063 et seq.).

6. As per claims 23-25, and 27-28, the admission ticket having information regarding at least one access controlled device, and marking the ticket as used, and the reading device or the mobile communication device making the decision, digitally device signed identification, see '660 fig. 4 at access control and certification, pg. 3 at par. 0031 and 0035, pg. 4 par. 0036 and 0042 et seq., pg. 5 at 0051, pg. 6 at 0054, pg. 7 at 0059 et seq., pg. 8 at 0066.

7. As per claims 30 and 40, the contactless interface having energy supplied by a reading device is not explicitly taught. It is believed to be both inherent and notoriously well known in the data processing arts. A person of ordinary skill in the art could have modified a contactless or even a contact interface of '660 to have energy supplied by making use of the well-known principles of magnetic fields and induction to have power supplied to a smart card or the like. '660 contemplates that his interface devices may be any of the contact or contactless devices, including smart cards etc. (pg. 7 at 0059).

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8. As per claims 31-39, they distinguish from claims 21-30, by reciting the system for performing the method steps; accordingly, they are rejected upon the same rationale as claims 21-30, see above.

Response to Arguments

9. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 21-41 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Conclusion

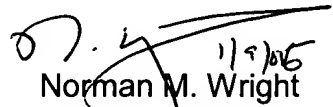
10. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Norman M. Wright whose telephone number is (571) 272-3844. The examiner can normally be reached on weekdays, from 8AM to 4 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Greg Morse can be reached on (571) 272-3838. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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